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#### §117.966 Galveston Channel.

The drawspan for the Pelican Island Causeway Drawbridge across Galveston Channel, mile 4.5 of the Galveston Channel, (GIWW mile 356.1) at Galveston, Texas, must open on signal; except that, from 6:40 a.m. to 8:10 a.m., 12 noon to 1 p.m., and 4:15 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. Monday through Friday except Federal holidays, the drawspan need not be opened for passage of vessels. Public vessels of the United States must be passed at anytime.

[USCG-2001-10881, 71 FR 70312, Dec. 4, 2006. Redesignated by USCG-2011-0257, 76 FR 31837, June 2, 2011]

#### §117.967 Greens Bayou.

The draw of the Port Terminal Railroad Association railroad bridge, mile 2.8 at Houston, shall open on signal if at least four hours notice is given. The draw shall open on signal for three hours thereafter for returning downbound vessels.

## §117.968 Gulf Intracoastal Waterway.

The drawspan for the Port Isabel Drawbridge, mile 666.0, must open on signal; except that, from 5 a.m. to 8 p.m. on weekdays only, excluding federal, state, and local holidays, the drawspan need open only on the hour for pleasure craft. The drawspan must open on signal at anytime for commercial vessels. When the drawspan is open for a commercial vessel, waiting pleasure craft must be passed.

[USCG-2001-10881, 71 FR 70312, Dec. 4, 2006]

#### §117.969 Lavaca River.

The draws of the Union Pacific railroad bridge, mile 11.2, and the highway bridge, mile 11.2, both at Vanderbilt, shall open on signal if at least 48 hours notice is given. In emergencies, the draws shall open as soon as possible.

## §117.971 Neches River.

(a) The draw of the Kansas City Southern automated bridge, mile 19.5, at Beaumont, is not constantly manned and is operated from a remote site in Shreveport, Louisiana. The bridge is normally maintained in the closed to navigation position, providing 13 feet of vertical clearance

above mean high tide. This bridge will open on signal.

- (1) Mariners may request a bridge opening at anytime via one of the following methods:
  - (i) Telephone at 1-800-892-6295;
- (ii) Marine radio on VHF-FM Channel 16; or
- (iii) Proper sound signal as prescribed in §117.15.
- (2) When signaling by sound, if return sound signal is not sent from the remote bridge operator, in compliance with §117.15, contact the remote operator via telephone or marine radio.
- (3) An audible warning siren will sound when the bridge is in motion. Video cameras will constantly monitor the waterway near and under the draw. Once a vessel has passed through the bridge, the draw will lower, provided the infrared "under bridge" presence detector and video cameras reveal nothing under the draw.
- (b) The draw of the Burlington Northern Santa Fe railroad bridge, mile 53.9 at Evadale, need not be opened for the passage of vessels.

[CGD 82–025, 49 FR 17452, Apr. 24, 1984, as amended by CGD 08–00–026, 65 FR 71059, Nov. 29, 2000; USCG–2011–0257, 76 FR 31837, June 2, 20111

#### §117.975 Old Brazos River.

The draw of the Union Pacific railroad bridge, mile 4.4 at Freeport, shall be maintained in the fully open position, except for the crossing of trains or for maintenance.

#### §117.979 Sabine Lake.

The draw of the S82 bridge, mile 10.0 at Port Arthur, shall open on signal; except that, from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m., the draw shall open on signal if at least six hours notice is given to the Maintenance Construction Supervisor or the Maintenance Foreman at Port Arthur.

## §117.981 Sabine River.

See §117.493, Sabine River, listed under Louisiana.

[CGD 92-015, 57 FR 37880, Aug. 21, 1992]

## §117.984 San Bernard River.

The draw of the Union Pacific railroad bridge, mile 20.7 near Brazoria, shall open on signal; except that, from

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10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 10 p.m. to 2 a.m., the draw shall open on signal if at least three hours notice is given.

[CGD 08-84-14, 50 FR 15743, Apr. 22, 1985]

#### §117.987 Taylor Bayou.

The draws of the Union Pacific railroad bridge, mile 2.0, and the S73 bridge, mile 10.2, both at West Port Arthur, need not be opened for the passage of vessels.

#### §117.989 Trinity River.

The draws of the Union Pacific Railroad bridges, mile 41.4 at Liberty, mile 54.8 at Kenefick, mile 117.3 at Goodrich, mile 181.8 at Riverside, and the Burlington Northern Santa Fe railroad bridge, mile 96.2 at Romayor, need not be opened for the passage of vessels.

[USCG-1998-3799, 63 FR 35527, June 30, 1998]

## VERMONT

## §117.993 Lake Champlain.

- (a) The drawspan for each of the drawbridges listed in this section must open as soon as possible for the passage of public vessels of the United States.
- (b) The draw of the US2 Bridge, mile 91.8, over Lake Champlain, between South Hero Island and North Hero Island, shall operate as follows:
- (1) The draw shall open on signal on the hour and the half hour from May 15th through October 15th from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily.
- (2) The draw shall open on signal from May 15th through October 15th from 8 p.m. to 8 a.m. if at least four hours notice is given by calling the number posted at the bridge.
- (3) The draw shall open on signal from October 16th through May 14th if at least four hours notice is given by calling the number posted at the bridge.
- (c) The draw of the Central Vermont Railway bridge across Missisquoi Bay, mile 105.6 shall open on signal:
- (1) From June 15 through September 15:
- (i) Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.:
- (ii) Saturdays, Sundays, Independence Day and Labor Day from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m.;

- (iii) At all other times, if at least two hours notice is given.
- (2) From September 16 through June 14, if at least 24 hours notice is given.
- (d) The draw of the SR78 bridge, mile 105.9 between Alburg Tongue and East Alburg, shall open on signal if at least 24 hours notice is given.

[CGD 82-025, 49 FR 17452, Apr. 24, 1984, as amended by CGD3 83-059, 49 FR 44208, Nov. 5, 1984; CGD01-98-032, 64 FR 28103, May 25, 1999; USCG-2001-10881, 71 FR 70312, Dec. 4, 2006]

#### VIRGINIA

## §117.995 Appomattox River.

The draw of the Seaboard System Railroad bridge, mile 2.5 at Hopewell, shall open on signal if at least 24 hours notice is given to the Seaboard System Agent at Hopewell. However, a drawtender shall be in constant attendance and the draw shall open on signal upon 30 days notice, in writing, to do so from the District Commander.

# § 117.997 Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway, South Branch of the Elizabeth River to the Albermarle and Chesaneake Canal.

- (a) The draw of the Belt Line Railroad Bridge, mile 2.6, in Portsmouth and Chesapeake will operate as follows:
- (1) The bridge will be left in the open position at all times and will only be lowered for the passage of trains and to perform periodic maintenance authorized in accordance with subpart A of this part.
- (2) The bridge will be operated by the controller at the Berkley Yard office.
- (3) The controller will monitor waterway traffic in the area of the bridge and directly beneath the bridge with closed circuit cameras mounted on top of the bridge and with surface navigational radar.
- (4) When the bridge closes for any reason, the controller will announce 30 minutes in advance, 15 minutes in advance, and immediately proceeding the actual lowering, over marine channel 13, that the Belt Line Railroad Bridge is closing for river traffic. In each of these three announcements, the bridge/train controller will request all concerned river traffic to please acknowledge on marine channel 13.